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L3 E BOVINE SERUM ALBUMIN/CN 5  
3 S BOVINE SERUM ALBUMIN ?/CN  
E OVALBUMIN/CN 5  
L4 8 S OVALBUMIN ?/CN  
E HEMOCYANIN/CN 5  
L5 71 S HEMOCYANIN ?/CN  
L6 82 S L3 OR L4 OR L5

E POLYSTYRENE LATEX/CN 5  
L10 1 S E3

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L2 2153 SEA FILE=CAPLUS ABB=ON PLU=ON L1 AND ANTIGEN  
L3 3 SEA FILE=REGISTRY ABB=ON PLU=ON BOVINE SERUM ALBUMIN  
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L4 8 SEA FILE=REGISTRY ABB=ON PLU=ON OVALBUMIN ?/CN  
L5 71 SEA FILE=REGISTRY ABB=ON PLU=ON HEMOCYANIN ?/CN  
L6 82 SEA FILE=REGISTRY ABB=ON PLU=ON L3 OR L4 OR L5  
L7 211 SEA FILE=CAPLUS ABB=ON PLU=ON L2 AND (L6 OR CARRIER OR  
BSA OR BOVINE(1W)ALBUMIN OR OVALBUMIN OR HEMOCYANIN OR  
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L8 115 SEA FILE=CAPLUS ABB=ON PLU=ON L7 AND (DIAGNOS? OR  
DETERM? OR DETECT? OR DET## OR SCREEN?)  
L9 15 SEA FILE=CAPLUS ABB=ON PLU=ON L8 AND CONJUGAT?

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L8 115 SEA FILE=CAPLUS ABB=ON PLU=ON L7 AND (DIAGNOS? OR  
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PHOB?) (5A) (SUBSTANC? OR MATERIAL OR PARTICLE))

L12 21 L9 OR L11

L12 ANSWER 1 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:915415 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:4697  
TITLE: Rapid joint assay method for viral antibodies of  
AIDS and hepatitis C  
INVENTOR(S): Zhou, Siliang  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Peop. Rep. China  
SOURCE: Faming Zhanli Shenqing Gongkai Shuomingshu, 22  
pp.

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CODEN: CNXXEV

DOCUMENT TYPE:

Patent

LANGUAGE:

Chinese

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
CN 1305109	A	20010725	CN 2001-107196	20010227

AB The rapid immunoassay for simultaneous detection of viral antibodies of AIDS and hepatitis C is presented. The test strip of nitrocellulose membrane consists of AIDS viral antigen, HCV antigen, and low- and high-concn. dinitrophenol as contrast. The marker is the color matter such as colloidal Au-labeled conjugate of anti-dinitrophenol antibody and rabbit-anti-human gamma-globulin antibody in buffer I. The coating buffer is composed of KCl, NaCl, K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, and Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>. The buffer I is composed of KCl, NaCl, K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, casein, bovine serum albumin, NaN<sub>3</sub>, Tween-20, and EDTA. The sealing buffer is composed of KCl, NaCl, K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, bovine serum albumin, Triton X-100, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, sucrose and gamma-globulin.

L12 ANSWER 2 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:343429 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 135:119408

TITLE: Evidence for a new Hepatitis C virus antigen encoded in an overlapping reading frame

AUTHOR(S): Walewski, Jose L.; Keller, Toby R.; Stump, Decherd D.; Branch, Andrea D.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Division of Liver Diseases, Department of Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY, 10029, USA

SOURCE: RNA (2001), 7(5), 710-721

CODEN: RNARFU; ISSN: 1355-8382

PUBLISHER: Cambridge University Press

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB Many viruses have overlapping genes and/or regions in which a nucleic acid signal is embedded in a coding sequence. To search for dual-use regions in the hepatitis C virus (HCV), we developed a facile computer-based sequence anal. method to map dual-use regions in coding sequences. Eight diverse full-length HCV RNA and polyprotein sequences were aligned and analyzed. A cluster of unusually conserved synonymous codons was found in the core-encoding region, indicating a potential overlapping open reading frame (ORF). Four peptides (A1, A2, A3, and A4) representing this alternate reading frame protein (ARFP), two others from the HCV core protein, and one from bovine serum albumin (BSA) were conjugated to BSA and used in western blots to test sera for specific antibodies from 100 chronic HCV patients, 44 healthy controls, and 60 patients with non-HCV liver disease. At a 1:20,000 diln., specific IgGs to three of the four ARFP peptides were detected in chronic HCV sera. Reactivity to either the A1 or A3 peptides (both ARFP derived) was significantly assocd. with chronic HCV

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infection, when compared to non-HCV liver disease serum samples (10/100 vs. 1/60; p < 0.025). Antibodies to A4 were not detected in any serum sample. Our western blot assays confirmed the presence of specific antibodies to a new HCV antigen encoded, at least in part, in an alternate reading frame (ARF) overlapping the core-encoding region. Because this novel HCV protein stimulates specific immune responses, it has potential value in diagnostic tests and as a component of vaccines. This protein is predicted to be highly basic and may play a role in HCV replication, pathogenesis, and carcinogenesis.

REFERENCE COUNT: 38 THERE ARE 38 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L12 ANSWER 3 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:50845 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:130253  
TITLE: Induction of a Th1-like response in vitro  
INVENTOR(S): Siegel, Marvin; Chu, N. Randall; Mizzen, Lee A.  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Stressgen Biotechnologies Corporation, Can.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 88 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 2001004344	A2	20010118	WO 2000-US18828	20000710
WO 2001004344	A3	20011115		
W: AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, DZ, EE, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MZ, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ, TM, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZA, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM RW: GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZW, AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG				
EP 1196772	A2	20020417	EP 2000-945300	20000710
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE, MC, PT, IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO				
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1999-143757P P 19990708	
			WO 2000-US18828 W 20000710	

AB The invention provides compns. and methods for stimulating a Th1-like response in vitro. Compns. include fusion proteins and conjugates that contain at least a portion of a heat shock protein. A Th1-like response can be elicited by contacting in vitro a cell sample contg. naive lymphocytes with a fusion protein or conjugate of the invention. The Th1-like response can be detected by measuring IFN-gamma produced by the cell sample.

L12 ANSWER 4 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:835203 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:16522

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TITLE: Peptides for detecting anti-hepatitis C virus antibody  
INVENTOR(S): Yokoi, Masayuki; Akamine, Takayuki  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd., Japan  
SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 7 pp.  
CODEN: JKXXAF  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: Japanese  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
JP 2000327698	A2	20001128	JP 1999-141760	19990521

AB Disclosed is a method and reagent for detection of anti-HCV antibody. The reagent comprises insol. carrier-immobilized antigen epitope peptide for detecting HCV antibody.

L12 ANSWER 5 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:739579 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:308990  
TITLE: Particle-immobilized antibody or antigen for immuno-detection of antigen or antibody  
INVENTOR(S): Munabayashi, Takaaki; Ifuku, Yasuo; Nagaike, Kazuhiro  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Mitsubishi Chemical Corp., Japan  
SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 12 pp.  
CODEN: JKXXAF  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: Japanese  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
JP 2000292424	A2	20001020	JP 1999-102323	19990409

AB Insol. magnetic particles contg. analyte-specific antibody and nonspecific binding biosubstances are prep'd. for immunoassay of antigen analyte in biol. samples. The nonspecific binding biosubstances include animal proteins, amino acids, high mol. wt org. substances, and/or carbohydrates, e.g. bovine serum albumin, rabbit IgG, glycine, and dextran. The antigen analyte is selected from .alpha.-fetoprotein, carcinoembryonic antigen, hepatitis B surface antigen, hepatitis C virus antigen, and CA19-9 antigen.

IT 9003-53-6, Polystyrene  
RL: ARU (Analytical role, unclassified); THU (Therapeutic use); ANST (Analytical study); BIOL (Biological study); USES (Uses)  
(magnetic particle-immobilized antibody for antigen immunoassay)

L12 ANSWER 6 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:275313 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:313670  
TITLE: Coated substrates for blood, plasma, or tissue

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washing and columns equipped with these substrates  
INVENTOR(S): Dunzendorfer, Udo; Will, Gottfried  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Germany  
SOURCE: Ger. Offen., 30 pp.  
CODEN: GWXXBX  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: German  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
DE 19845286	A1	20000427	DE 1998-19845286	19981001
EP 1004598	A2	20000531	EP 1999-118541	19990918
EP 1004598	A3	20000607	R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE, MC, PT, IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO	

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: DE 1998-19845286 19981001

AB Columns, filters, cannulas, etc. contg. substrates coated with specific antibodies can be used during plasmapheresis to remove pathogenic cytokines such as tumor necrosis factor (TNF), anti-TNF, fragments of TNF or anti-TNF, or TNF transport proteins from blood, plasma, or tissues. The substrates may addnl. be coated with antibodies to microbial or viral pathogens or mixts. of pathogens as well as to polysaccharide **antigens**, viral capsids, microbial **antigens**, reverse transcriptase, endothelin, protein A, etc. Selective removal of these pathogens, **antigens**, proteins, etc. leaves all normal plasma components unchanged and obviates the need for supplementation of the plasma with these components. Suitable substrates include polymers, polymer-coated metals, cellulose derivs., starch, and Sepharose; these may be derivatized for covalent binding of the pathogens or pathogenic mols. Thus, Escherichia coli pyelonephritis was successfully treated by plasmapheresis coupled with columns loaded with anti-TNF-.alpha. for 14 days, 4 h/day, as detd. by decreases in plasma TNF-.alpha. levels and colony counts in urine cultures.

IT 9003-53-6, Polystyrene  
RL: DEV (Device component use); THU (Therapeutic use); BIOL (Biological study); USES (Uses)  
(carrier; coated substrates for blood, plasma, or tissue washing and columns equipped with these substrates)

L12 ANSWER 7 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:811571 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:22168  
TITLE: Improvement of binding assays by multi-epitope analysis and combination of antigen and antibody determination  
INVENTOR(S): Karl, Johann; Hornauer, Hans  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Roche Diagnostics G.m.b.H., Germany  
SOURCE: Ger. Offen., 14 pp.  
CODEN: GWXXBX  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: German  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

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PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
DE 19838802	A1	19991223	DE 1998-19838802	19980826
WO 9967643	A1	19991229	WO 1999-EP4310	19990622
W: JP, US				
RW: AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC,				
NL, PT, SE				
EP 1090298	A1	20010411	EP 1999-931132	19990622
R: AT, CH, DE, ES, FR, GB, IT, LI, NL				
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			DE 1998-19827714 A1	19980622
			DE 1998-19838802 A	19980826
			WO 1999-EP4310 W	19990622

AB The invention discusses a method for **detection** of analytes in a described probe comprising the following steps: (a) prep. an immobile phase which comprises a nonporous **carrier** and at least two spatially sepd. test surfaces, whereby the test surfaces contain at times different, immobilized, anal. specific receptors, (b) bring the probe into contact with the immobile phase and a second analyte-specific receptor, which bears a signal transmitting group or is capable of binding with a signal transmitting group and (c) **detection** of the presence and/or the quantity of the analyte by **detn.** of the signal transmitting group on the immobile phase. The examples discuss the test for anti-HIV antibodies with several **antigen**-specific test surfaces using microspot technol., comparison of anti-HIV antibody tests in microspot format to conventional methods, comparison of combined **detn.** of HIV p24 **antigen** as well as anti-gp41 and anti-RT antibodies in microspot format to conventional methods, combined **detn.** of p24 **antigen** and anti-p24 antibody using the reverse titrn. principle, and improvement of test specificity through test surface-specific cut-off calcn.

IT 9003-53-6, Polystyrol  
RL: AMX (Analytical matrix); ANST (Analytical study)  
(improvement of binding assays by multi-epitope anal. and combination of viral **antigen** and antibody **detn**.  
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ANSWER 8 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:449180 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 131:129038  
TITLE: Immobilization of antigen or antibody on **carrier** or solid support for immunoassay  
INVENTOR(S): Kumasawa, Toshiaki; Tagami, Hiroaki; Kitani, Yoshiyasu  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): SRL K. K., Japan  
SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 4 pp.  
CODEN: JKXXAF  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: Japanese  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
JP 11194128	A2	19990721	JP 1997-368018	19971227

AB Solid support or **carrier** is treated with water-sol. org.

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solvent for immobilization of antigen or antibody. The water-sol. org. solvent is propanol, and the solid support is multi-well microplate of polystyrene. Thus, polystyrene microplate was treated with 2-propanol for immobilization of hepatitis C virus core antigen for detecting serum antibody specific for HCV core antigen.

IT 9003-53-6, Polystyrene

RL: ARU (Analytical role, unclassified); DEV (Device component use); THU (Therapeutic use); ANST (Analytical study); BIOL (Biological study); USES (Uses)  
(immobilization of antigen or antibody on carrier or solid support for immunoassay)

L12 ANSWER 9 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:113881 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:181472

TITLE: Method for detecting HBcAg from hepatitis B virus

INVENTOR(S): Liao, Jaw-Ching; Wang, Cheng-Nan

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Bionova Corporation, USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 58 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9906837	A1	19990211	WO 1998-US15849	19980728
W: DE, GB				
RW: AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE				
US 6153392	A	20001128	US 1998-115350	19980714
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1997-54194P	P 19970730
			US 1998-115350	A 19980714

AB A complex comprised of the HBcAg and an albumin or an unprocessed structural protein from a pos. stranded RNA virus. The pos. stranded RNA virus is selected from Togaviridae, Coronaviridae, Retroviridae, Picornaviridae, Caliciviridae and flaviviridae, hepatitis C virus, HIV, and HTLV. The albumin is selected from human serum albumin, .alpha.-fetoprotein, bovine serum albumin, fetal calf serum albumin, newborn bovine serum albumin and mouse serum albumin. Pursuant to such complexing, the antigenicity of the HBcAg is enhanced when compared to HBcAg alone, in terms of both or either affinity or specificity. This complexed HBcAg can be recognized by the immune system, which produces antibodies that have a high specificity and affinity for the complexed HBcAg, although such antibodies typically do also bind the uncomplexed antigen to a lower specificity and affinity. Also, methods and devices using the same.

REFERENCE COUNT: 6 THERE ARE 6 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:42620 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:92468  
TITLE: Methods for covalent immobilization of biomolecules to a **carrier** by means of a His-tag  
INVENTOR(S): Bosman, Alfons; Van Wijnendaele, Frans; Van Den Broeck, Dirk; Van De Voorde, Andre  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Innogenetics N.V., Belg.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 34 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9900670	A1	19990107	WO 1998-EP3883	19980625
W: AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CU, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, GB, GE, GH, GM, HU, ID, IL, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LS, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ, TM, TR, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, VN, YU, ZW, AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM				
RW: GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, SD, SZ, UG, ZW, AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG				
AU 9887290	A1	19990119	AU 1998-87290	19980625
EP 991944	A1	20000412	EP 1998-938647	19980625
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE, MC, PT, IE, SI, LT, LV, FI, RO				
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			EP 1997-870095	19970625
			WO 1998-EP3883	19980625

AB The present invention relates to methods for covalent immobilization of biomols. to **carriers** and membranes, wherein the presence of a His-tag is exploited, and wherein the amino acid residues that comprise said His-tag are directly involved in the covalent bond. The present invention also provides several strategies that further augment the probability of covalent immobilization through said His-tags, such as improving the presentation of said His-tag, choosing the appropriate reaction conditions such as pH, temp., concn. of reagent and kinetics, increasing contact between His-tag and reactive groups of said **carrier** or membrane, by for instance the use of IDA or anti-His antibodies or increasing the hydrophobicity of the membrane, or shielding the rest of the biomol. from reaction by for instance increasing the hydrophobicity of said **carrier** or membrane or addn. of substrate or competitors or blocking otherwise reactive groups, or by choosing chem. reactions that have a high selectivity for histidine residues. A **carrier** can also be another biomol. The present invention thus also relates to a method that allows covalent crosslinking between identical or different biomols. When such biomols. have a natural tendency to interact with each other to form homo- or heterodimers, a strategy of increasing contact between the reactive groups (two His-tags or one His-tag and another reactive group) can be exploited. The present invention also relates to a method of providing a simultaneous and universal system for **detection** of biomols. through said

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His-tag.

REFERENCE COUNT: 3 THERE ARE 3 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECCRD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L12 ANSWER 11 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:321594 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 128:293957

TITLE: Preparation of HIV antigen and hepatitis C virus antigen for simultaneous determination of anti-HIV and anti-HCV antibodies

INVENTOR(S): Zhu, Youming; Wang, Meiling; Han, Jinxiang

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Zhu, Youming, Peop. Rep. China

SOURCE: Faming Zhanli Shengqing Gongkai Shuomingshu, 6

PP.

CODEN: CNXXEV

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: Chinese

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
CN 1140090	A	19970115	CN 1995-110529	19950707
CN 1062662	B	20010228		

AB HIV-1 and HIV-2 antigens and HCV antigens are coated on carrier of polystyrene, polyethylene, cellulose, nitrocellulose, cellulose acetate, glass material or cell. The carrier-immobilized antigens are used for simultaneous detn. of antibodies to HIV-1/2 and HCV and for simultaneous diagnosis of HIV and HCV infections.

IT 9003-53-6, Polystyrene

RL: ARU (Analytical role, unclassified); THU (Therapeutic use); ANST (Analytical study); BIOL (Biological study); USES (Uses) (prep. of carrier-immobilized HIV antigen and hepatitis C virus antigen for simultaneous detection of anti-HIV and anti-HCV antibodies)

L12 ANSWER 12 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:743751 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 128:47287

TITLE: C type hepatitis virus disease diagnostic agent

INVENTOR(S): Takahama, Yoichi; Shiraishi, Junichi

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Toa Medical Electronics Co., Ltd., Japan

SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 8 pp.

CODEN: JKXXAF

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: Japanese

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
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JP 09297141	A2	19971118	JP 1996-112442	19960507
US 6379886	B1	20020430	US 1997-850328	19970502
EP 806669	A2	19971112	EP 1997-107368	19970505
EP 806669	A3	19971126		
EP 806669	B1	20020410		

R: BE, DE, FR, GB, IT

CN 1170875	A	19980121	CN 1997-109798	19970506
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:	JP 1996-112442	A 19960507
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AB Hepatitis C virus antigen or carrier protein conjugate is coated on a solid support and used for detecting anti-hepatitis C virus antibody and for diagnosing HCV infection. The HCV antigen is core antigen, NS3 antigen, NS4 antigen, or NS5 antigen, and the carrier protein is bovine serum albumin, egg white albumin or hemocyanin.

IT 9003-53-6, Polystyrene

RL: ARU (Analytical role, unclassified); ANST (Analytical study) (latex; C type hepatitis virus disease diagnostic agent)

L12 ANSWER 13 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1996:402060 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 125:112752

TITLE: Preparation of chicken egg yolk-derived antibody against hepatitis C virus antigen for diagnosis and therapy

INVENTOR(S): Hachiman, Takeshi; Myoshi, Hiroshi; Chiba, Tooru; Pponda, Yoshikazu; Seki, Makoto; Yamada, Suguru

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Shinetsu Chem Ind Co, Japan; Mitsubishi Chem Corp

SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 7 pp.  
CODEN: JKXXAF

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: Japanese

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
JP 08127596	A2	19960521	JP 1994-264807	19941028

AB Antibody against hepatitis C virus (HCV ) antigen is prep'd. by immunizing chicken with recombinant HCV antigen peptide conjugated to a protein carrier and harvesting antibody from yolk of egg laid by the immunized chicken. The antibody is useful for diagnosis, prevention and treatment of hepatitis C virus infection.

L12 ANSWER 14 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:828611 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 123:222328

TITLE: Interference-reducing agents for use in immunoassays

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INVENTOR(S): Kientsch-Engel, Rosemarie; Donie, Frederic;  
Wiedmann, Michael  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Boehringer Mannheim G.m.b.H., Germany  
SOURCE: Ger. Offen., 12 pp.  
CODEN: GWXXBX  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: German  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
DE 4407423	A1	19950907	DE 1994-4407423	19940305
WO 9523800	A1	19950908	WO 1995-EP690	19950225
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RW: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE				
EP 697021	A1	19960221	EP 1995-909783	19950225
EP 697021	B1	20000705		
R: AT, BE, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, NL, PT				
JP 08508301	T2	19960903	JP 1995-522680	19950225
JP 2750003	B2	19980513		
AT 194349	E	20000715	AT 1995-909783	19950225
CA 2184386	AA	19950908	CA 1995-2184386	19950303
WO 9523801	A1	19950908	WO 1995-EP776	19950303
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RW: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE				
EP 749435	A1	19961227	EP 1995-912194	19950303
EP 749435	B1	20001011		
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, IT, LI, NL, PT, SE				
CN 1143368	A	19970219	CN 1995-191975	19950303
JP 09510289	T2	19971014	JP 1995-522705	19950303
JP 3027770	B2	20000404		
AT 196906	E	20001015	AT 1995-912194	19950303
ES 2152392	T3	20010201	ES 1995-912194	19950303
FI 9603461	A	19960904	FI 1996-3461	19960904
US 5863740	A	19990126	US 1996-700435	19960905
US 5952185	A	19990914	US 1997-958870	19971027
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			DE 1994-4407423	A 19940305
			WO 1995-EP690	W 19950225
			WO 1995-EP776	W 19950303
			US 1995-535072	B1 19951103

AB The finding concerns interference-reducing agents for avoiding nonspecific reactions in immunoassays wherein the agents used are avidin or streptavidin or their derivs. Interferences in heterogeneous immunoassays can decrease sensitivity and specificity and even cause false-pos. anal. results esp. in the detn. of antibodies. The agents can be used for improving immunoassays of, e.g., haptens, antigens, or antibodies in, e.g., body fluids. Examples are given of the prepn. of, e.g., crosslinked streptavidin after activation by various crosslinking agents, of bovine serum albumin-streptavidin conjugates, etc.

L12 ANSWER 15 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:810853 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 123:222327

Searcher : Shears 308-4994

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TITLE: Procedure for synthesis of antigenic peptides able to detect antibodies to hepatitis C virus in blood serum of infected persons

INVENTOR(S): Berasain Lasarte, Carmen; Riezu-Boj, Jose Ignacio; Prieto Valtuna, Jesus; Borras Cuesta, Francisco

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Instituto Cientifico y Tecnologico de Navarra, S.A., Spain

SOURCE: Span., 15 pp  
CÖDEN: SPXXAD

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: Spanish

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
ES 2069476	A1	19950501	ES 1993-1361	19930618
ES 2069476	B1	19960101		

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: ES 1991-1525 19910628

AB Synthetic peptides suitable for use in detection of anti-hepatitis C virus antibodies in human blood serum can be prep'd. which are built up with one or more of the following sequences: (A) AlaPheAlaSerArgGlyAsnHisValSerProThrHisTyrVal, (B) ThrAsnArgArgProGlnAspValLysPheProGlyGlyGlyVal, (C) LysProGlnArgLysThrLysArgAsnThrASnArgArgProVal. These sequences may be joined (1) to a lysine backbone in which the .alpha.- and .epsilon.-amino groups are substituted with other lysines, and in which the connection between peptides A, B, and C and the lysine backbone involves the free amino groups of the lysine backbone and the terminal carboxyl groups of the peptides; (2) to bovine serum albumin or other protein of high mol. wt. in which the connection between the protein and peptides A, B, or C involves the carboxyl termini of the peptides with .epsilon.-amino groups of the protein, or between any reactive free groups present in any of the peptides; or (3) joined to themselves as homo- or heteropolymers. An assay kit is described for an ELISA-type detection of antibodies to hepatitis C virus.

L12 ANSWER 16 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:785008 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 123:164653

TITLE: Nucleotide-directed assembly of bimolecular and multimolecular drugs and devices

INVENTOR(S): Cubicciotti, Roger S.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 59 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9516788	A1	19950622	WO 1994-US14575	19941215

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KP, KR, KZ, LK, LR, LT, LU, LV, MD, MG, MN, NO, NZ, PL, RO,  
RU, SI, SK, TJ, TT, UA, UZ, VN

RW: KE, MW, SD, SZ, AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT,  
LU, MC, NL, PT, SE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, ML, MR,  
NE, SN, TD, TG

AU 9513736 A1 19950703 AU 1995-13736 19941215

AU 692212 B2 19980604

EP 736103 A1 19961009 EP 1995-904932 19941215

R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LI, LU, MC, NL,  
PT, SE

JP 09506629 T2 19970630 JP 1994-516992 19941215

US 5656739 A 19970812 US 1995-487959 19950607

US 5739305 A 19980414 US 1995-487968 19950607

US 5756296 A 19980526 US 1995-575781 19951222

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 1993-169517 19931217

WO 1994-US14575 19941215

AB This invention relates to methods and structures for coupling the activities of .gt;oreq.2 mols. or groups of mols., preferably mols. with defined activities, to perform functions dependent on the spatial proximity of the constituent mols. The invention provides a method for assembling selected mols. in a single structure by use of synthetic heteropolymers or multivalent heteropolymeric hybrid structures comprised of hybridizably linked synthetic heteropolymers. Each synthetic heteropolymer comprises nucleotides having at least a 1st and a 2nd defined sequence segment. One defined sequence segment of a synthetic heteropolymer or multivalent heteropolymeric hybrid structure can specifically bind to a selected nonoligonucleotide mol. or group of mols., preferably a receptor, ligand, or effector mol. The other defined sequence segments are capable of either specifically binding to a different nonoligonucleotide mol. or group of mols. or of hybridization.

L12 ANSWER 17 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:558219 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:158219

TITLE: Reagent and method for detecting hepatitis C virus antibody

INVENTOR(S): Ishibashi, Kaichiro; Ito, Masao; Yoshida, Iwao;  
Takamizawa, Akihisa; Shibatani, Takeji

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Eiken Kagaku K. K., Japan; Research Foundation  
for Microbial Diseases, Osaka University; Tanabe  
Seiyaku Co., Ltd.

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 51 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: Japanese

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9307488	A1	19930415	WO 1992-JP1276	19921002
W: CA, KR, US				
RW: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, SE				
JP 05307040	A2	19931119	JP 1992-68695	19920326
EP 642023	A1	19950308	EP 1992-920915	19921002
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, ES, FR, GB, IT, LI, LU, NL				

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CN 1078805	A	19931124	CN 1993-103606	19930325
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			JP 1991-255524	19911002
			JP 1992-68695	19920326
			WO 1992-JP1276	19921002

OTHER SOURCE(S): MARPAT 119:158219

AB A reagent for detecting antibody to hepatitis C virus (HCV) uses as an antigen a peptide contg. the sequence Arg-Xaa-Gly-Pro-Arg-Leu-Gly-Arg-Arg-Pro (Xaa = amino acid, esp. Leu, Lys, Arg) from an epitope of HCV structural region (core antigen). The reagent allows specific detection of antibodies against the HCV structural region at a high detection rate, whereby HCV infection can be tested accurately at an early stage. The peptide can readily be chem. synthesized. Thus, HCV antibody in serum was detd. by ELISA using a peptide-sensitized plate and peroxidase-labeled anti-human IgG monoclonal antibody.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:515326 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 119:115326

TITLE: Immunoreactive hepatitis C

virus polypeptide compositions

INVENTOR(S): Weiner, Amy J.; Houghton, Michael

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Chiron Corp., USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 105 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9306126	A1	19930401	WO 1992-US7683	19920911
W: AU, BG, CA, CS, FI, HU, JP, PL, RO, RU RW: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, SE				
AU 9226436	A1	19930427	AU 1992-26436	19920911
AU 679429	B2	19970703		
EP 608261	A1	19940803	EP 1992-919917	19920911
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LI, LU, MC, NL, SE				
JP 06511149	T2	19941215	JP 1992-506119	19920911
HU 67342	A2	19950328	HU 1994-741	19920911
PL 171489	B1	19970530	PL 1992-302729	19920911
PL 171972	B1	19970731	PL 1992-313797	19920911
RU 2136311	C1	19990910	RU 1994-24561	19920911
RO 116199	B1	20001130	RO 1994-391	19920911
FI 9401199	A	19940427	FI 1994-1199	19940314
US 5756312	A	19980526	US 1994-231368	19940419
US 5670152	A	19970923	US 1995-440103	19950512
US 5670153	A	19970923	US 1995-440542	19950512
US 5766845	A	19980616	US 1995-440210	19950512
US 5728520	A	19980317	US 1995-471498	19950606
US 6303292	B1	20011016	US 1998-46604	19980324
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1991-759575	A 19910913
			WO 1992-US7683	A 19920911
			US 1994-231368	A3 19940419

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AB Immunoreactive polypeptides comprising hepatitis C virus (HCV) epitopes, their use in vaccines and in assays and kits to detect antibodies to HCV, and methods of making them are disclosed. The E2/NS1 gene from a patient with chronic hepatitis was partially sequenced during 2 distinct episodes of hepatitis approx. 2yr apart. The deduced amino acid sequences of the hypervariable (HV) region were strikingly different only between amino acids 391-408, with 7/8 changes occurring between amino acids 398-407. Specific 12-mer peptides were synthesized and reacted with blood plasma samples from the 2 time periods. The data indicate that while the patient developed antibodies to the HV region of the 1st variant, which were still detectable 2 yr later, no detectable humoral response had developed to the later variant which was predominant during the 2nd episode of hepatitis. Diphtheria toxoid carrier was activated with 6-maleimido-caproic acid N-hydroxysuccinimide ester and coupled to HCV peptides (384-411 and 225-260). The conjugates were formulated in vaccines.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1993:37469 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 118:37469

TITLE: Basic structural immunogenic polypeptides having epitopes for hepatitis C virus, antibodies, polynucleotide sequence, vaccines, and methods

INVENTOR(S): Kotwal, Girish J.; Baroudy, Bahige M.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Gamble, James N., Institute of Medical Research, USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 244 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9212992	A2	19920806	WO 1992-US356	19920114
WO 9212992	A3	19930318		
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AU 9214597	A1	19920827	AU 1992-14597	19920114
EP 571554	A1	19931201	EP 1992-907699	19920114
	R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, MC, NL, SE			
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1991-639809	19910114
			WO 1992-US356	19920114

AB Basic immunogenic peptides having epitopes for hepatitis C virus (HCV) are disclosed which are derived from the structural region of a human HCV genome. Preferred peptides are designated FGB1 and FGB2; sequences and characteristics are presented. Antibodies to the peptides, polynucleotide sequences encoding the peptides, vaccines contg. the peptides, and immunoassay and nucleic acid hybridization assay methods, among others, are also disclosed. FGB1 and FGB2 were made by solid-phase synthesis and used in ELISAs to detect antibodies to HCV in

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blood and semen. DNA encoding FGB1 was cloned in recombinant vaccinia virus.

L12 ANSWER 20 OF 21 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1992:590114 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 117:190114  
TITLE: Synthetic antigens for the detection of antibodies to hepatitis C virus (HCV)  
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INVENTOR(S): DeLeys, Robert J.; Pollet, Dirk; Maertens, Geert; Van Heuverswyn, Hugo  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Innogenetics N.V., Belg.  
SOURCE: Eur. Pat. Appl., 32 pp.  
CODEN: EPXXDW  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
EP 489968	A1	19920617	EP 1990-124241	19901214
EP 489968	B1	19961106		
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE				
EP 644202	A1	19950322	EP 1994-108611	19901214
EP 644202	B1	19970305		
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AT 144993	E	19961115	AT 1990-124241	19901214
EP 754704	A2	19970122	EP 1996-201157	19901214
EP 754704	A3	19970528		
EP 754704	B1	19991006		
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE				
ES 2095852	T3	19970301	ES 1990-124241	19901214
AT 149522	E	19970315	AT 1994-108611	19901214
ES 2101388	T3	19970701	ES 1994-108611	19901214
AT 185350	E	19991015	AT 1996-201157	19901214
ES 2138784	T3	20000116	ES 1996-201157	19901214
IL 100158	A1	19980222	IL 1991-100158	19911126
CA 2074370	AA	19920615	CA 1991-2074370	19911213
WO 9210514	A2	19920625	WO 1991-EP2409	19911213
WO 9210514	A3	19920820		
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AU 9190689	A1	19920708	AU 1991-90689	19911213
AU 652013	B2	19940811		
BR 9106220	A	19930330	BR 1991-6220	19911213
JP 05503722	T2	19930617	JP 1992-500998	19911213
HU 65930	A2	19940728	HU 1992-2645	19911213
HU 218357	B	20000828		
JP 2995216	B2	19991227	JP 1991-500998	19911213
US 5922532	A	19990713	US 1995-391671	19950221
US 5910404	A	19990608	US 1995-466975	19950606
US 6007982	A	19991228	US 1995-467902	19950606
US 6287761	B1	20010911	US 1999-275265	19990323
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			EP 1990-124241	A3 19901214
			EP 1994-108611	A 19901214
			EP 1996-201157	A 19901214
			SG 1996-5024	A 19901214

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WO 1991-EP2409 A 19911213  
US 1992-920286 B1 19921014  
US 1995-391671 A3 19950221

OTHER SOURCE(S): MARPAT 117:190114

AB Synthetic peptides .gt;eq.5 amino acids long having sequences mimicking those of proteins encoded by HCV are prep'd. for use as reagents for screening of blood and blood products for prior exposure to HCV, for detection of antibodies to HCV, for detection of HCV antigens, and as immunogens. The peptides are fragments of regions 1-92, 1688-1749, and 2263-2330 in the composite protein encoded by the HCV genome. The peptides may be attached to a carrier mol. via a linker. Thus, anti-HCV antibodies were detected in sera from patients with acute non-A, non-B hepatitis by incubation with individual peptides bound to a nylon membrane; the bound immune complexes were visualized with a goat anti-human IgG-alk. phosphatase conjugate, 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl phosphate, and NBT.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1992:136219 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 116:136219

TITLE: Vaccine compositions containing alkyl compounds conjugated with polypeptides as immunoadjuvants

INVENTOR(S): Penny, Christopher L.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): North American Vaccine Inc., Can.

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 35 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1

PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 9116926	A1	19911114	WO 1991-CA144	19910501
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RW: AT, BE, BF, BJ, CF, CG, CH, CI, CM, DE, DK, ES, FR, GA, GB, GR, IT, LU, ML, MR, NL, SE, SN, TD, TG				
IN 172520	A	19930911	IN 1991-CA317	19910424
ZA 9103214	A	19920930	ZA 1991-3214	19910429
CA 2082425	AA	19911108	CA 1991-2082425	19910501
AU 9177779	A1	19911127	AU 1991-77779	19910501
JP 05506234	T2	19930916	JP 1991-508106	19910501
EP 597838	A1	19940525	EP 1991-908598	19910501
EP 597838	B1	19981202		
R: AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IT, LI, LU, NL, SE				
HU 65493	A2	19940628	HU 1980-92034	19910501
AT 173936	E	19981215	AT 1991-908598	19910501
ES 2124701	T3	19990216	ES 1991-908598	19910501
CN 1056816	A	19911211	CN 1991-102899	19910507
NO 9204271	A	19930107	NO 1992-4271	19921106
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1990-518460	19900507
			WO 1991-CA144	19910501

OTHER SOURCE(S): MARPAT 116:136219

AB An improved vaccine compn. comprising a long chain alkyl compd.

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conjugated with a homogeneous immunogenic polypeptide is disclosed as an immunoadjuvant. The compns. of the invention are useful in activating the immune system to confer immunity to a host against the immunogen in a prophylactic manner. Octadecyltyrosin was conjugated with a homogeneous polypeptide, then injected to mice in the presence of hepatitis B surface antigen. Mice were boosted with polypeptide on day 21 and were bled on day 61, then the antibody concn. in the sera was detd. The antibody concn. at day 61 was 751 as compared to 58 ng/mL for controls with no immunoadjuvant.

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L16 ANSWER 1 OF 12 WPIDS (C) 2002 THOMSON DERWENT  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002-114392 [15] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. CPI: C2002-035137  
TITLE: Soluble T cell receptor fusion or conjugate complexes useful in treating malignant disorders comprises either T cell receptor and polypeptide connected by a peptide linker or molecules covalently bound to a carrier.  
DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16  
INVENTOR(S): CARD, K F; WEIDANZ, J A; WONG, H C  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (SUNO-N) SUNOL MOLECULAR CORP  
COUNTRY COUNT: 94  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	WEEK	LA	PG
WO 2001093913	A2	20011213	(200215)*	EN	66
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AU 2001075246	A	20011217	(200225)		

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PATENT NO	KIND	APPLICATION	DATE
WO 2001093913	A2	WO 2001-US18145	20010605
AU 2001075246	A	AU 2001-75246	20010605

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PATENT NO	KIND	PATENT NO
AU 2001075246	A Based on	WO 200193913

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO: US 2000-209536P 20000605

AN 2002-114392 [15] WPIDS

AB WO 200193913 A UPAB: 20020306

NOVELTY - Soluble T cell receptor fusion or **conjugate** complex, comprising either T cell receptor (TCR) (I) and a polypeptide connected by a peptide linker (II) or several molecules covalently bound to a **carrier** (III), is new. (I) and (II) have different recognition binding sites. (III) has at least one remaining free amine group. The **carrier** is covalently bound to a single chain T cell receptor.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(1) preparing soluble T cell receptor fusion or **conjugate** complex, comprising:

(a) providing T cell receptor chain or its sub-fragment;  
(b) providing the polypeptide corresponding to a second chain or its sub-fragment;  
(c) connecting the T cell receptor chain and the second chain to a peptide linker; and

(d) recovering the linked T cell receptor fusion polypeptide complex, thus generating a T cell receptor fusion complex;

(2) preparing soluble T cell receptor fusion or **conjugate** complex, comprising:

(a) reacting a polymer **carrier** which has covalently bound several molecules with a T cell receptor chain; and  
(b) reductively stabilizing the resulting **conjugate** molecule;

(3) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the T cell receptor fusion complex comprising (I) and (II).

ACTIVITY - Cytostatic; Antiinflammatory; Immunosuppressive; Antiviral; Neuroprotective; Antidiabetic; Antirheumatic; Antiarthritic.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - TCR binder.

CTLL-2 cells were hydrodiethidium labeled and incubated for 20 minutes at room temperature (RT) with an equal number of calcein-AM labeled T2 cells pulsed with either 50 micro g of 149 or 246 peptide. The **conjugation** was observed between cells when 1 micro g of fusion protein was added to the incubation mixture containing CTLL-2 cells and 264 peptide-loaded T2 cells (i.e. 3.25 %) while **conjugate** formulation was not observed with mixture comprising the 149 peptide pulsed T2 cells used (i.e. 0.88 %).

USE - In therapeutic composition for treating disorders e.g. malignant disorder, autoimmune disorder, inflammatory response, viral infection; as **diagnostic** composition; for imaging studies (claimed). The complex is also used for the treatment of allergies and autoimmune diseases e.g. multiple sclerosis, insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus and rheumatoid arthritis, and in targeting particular tumor **antigens** in human patients. It can be used for the treatment of cancer e.g. **hepatitis C** virus (HCV), human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), etc, for veterinary applications e.g. treatment of disorders of livestock e.g. cattle, sheep, etc and pets such as dog and cats, and to guide, target or direct localized toxic agents to specific sites to intervene in a disease process.

ADVANTAGE - The T cell complexes teaches the use of genetic fusions and chemical **conjugation** as methods for effecting such linkage. The (TCR)-based reagents provides higher killing efficiency of tumor cells, recognizes many potential tumor

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antigens as exposed on the surface of the cells or accessible to the molecule. The antigens recognized by antibodies are not heterogeneic in nature, thus does not limit the effectiveness of the antibody to a single tumor histology.

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L16 ANSWER 2 OF 12 WPIDS (C) 2002 THOMSON DERWENT  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002-164292 [21] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. CPI: C2002-050693  
TITLE: **Hepatitis C virus conjugate** useful for inducing immune response in a subject comprises a polypeptides or protein complex **carrier** and immunogenic peptides covalently bonded to the **carrier**  
DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16  
INVENTOR(S): CONLEY, A J; KELLER, P M; MCKENNA, P M; PRZYSIECKI, C T  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (MERI) MERCK & CO INC  
COUNTRY COUNT: 22  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	WEEK	LA	PG
WO 2001093804	A2	20011213	(200221)*	EN	63
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W: CA JP US					

APPLICATION DETAILS:

PATENT NO	KIND	APPLICATION	DATE
WO 2001093804	A2	WO 2001-US17302	20010529

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO: US 2000-209089P 20000602

AN 2002-164292 [21] WPIDS

AB WO 2001093804 A UPAB: 20020403

NOVELTY - **Hepatitis C virus (HCV)** conjugate comprises a polypeptide or protein complex **carrier** (a1), immunogenic HCV peptide PEP1 (b1), immunogenic HCV peptide PEP2 (c1). PEP1 and PEP2 are each covalently joined to (a1) through covalent linker and comprises different sequences as given in the specification.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - **Hepatitis C virus (HCV) conjugate** (I) comprises a polypeptide or protein complex **carrier** (a1), immunogenic HCV peptide PEP1 (b1), immunogenic HCV peptide PEP2 (c1). PEP1 and PEP2 are each covalently joined to (a1) through a covalent linker and comprises different sequences selected from sequences Xaa-Thr-His-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Gln-Ala-Gly-His-Gln-Ala-His-Ser-Leu-Thr-Gly-Leu-Phe-Ser-Pro-Gly-Ala-Lys-Gln-Asn (1), Xaa-Thr-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Gln-Val-Ser-His-Ala-Thr-His-Gly-Leu-Thr-Gly-Leu-Phe-Ser-Leu-Gly-Pro-Gln-Gln-Lys (2), Xaa-Thr-Thr-Val-Val-Gly-Gly-Ser-Gln-Ser-His-Thr-Val-Arg-Gly-Leu-Thr-Ser-Leu-Phe-Ser-Pro-Gly-Ala-Ser-Gln-Asn (3), Xaa-Thr-His-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Val-Val-Gly-His-Ala-Thr-Ser-Gly-Leu-Thr-Ser-Leu-Phe-Ser-Pro-Gly-Pro-Ser-Gln-Lys (4), Thr-Thr-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Gln-Val-Gly-His-Gln-Thr-Ser-Gly-Leu-Thr-Gly-Leu-Phe-Ser-Pro-Gly-

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Ala-Gln-Gln-Asn (5), Thr-Thr-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Val-Gln-Gly-His-Thr-Thr-Arg-Gly-Leu-Val-Arg-Leu-Phe-Ser-Leu-Gly-Ser-Lys-Gln-Asn (6), Xaa-thr-His-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Val-Val-Ser-His-Gln-Thr-Arg-Ser-Leu-Val-Gly-Leu-Phe-Ser-Pro-Gly-Pro-Gln-Gln-Asn (7).

Xaa = glutamine or pyroglutamide.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(1) an HCV conjugate mixture comprising (I) and a second different HCV conjugate (II). (II) comprises a second polypeptide or protein carrier (d) covalently joined to an immunogenic HCV peptide comprising Xaa-thr-His-Thr-Thr-Gly-Gly-Val-Val-Ser-His-Gln-Thr-Arg-Ser-Leu-Val-Gly-Leu-Phe-Ser-Pro-Gly-Pro-Gln-Gln-Asn, or their salt;

(2) production of (I) involving:

(i) joining several linkers to reactive sites on (a1);  
(ii) joining two or more different HCV immunogenic peptides to several linkers; and

(iii) capping the product of step ii). Each of two or more different HCV immunogenic peptide is selected from a first to seventh HCV mimotope sequence comprising sequences (1) - (7); and

(3) preparation of antisera involving inoculating a subject with I/conjugate mixture to produce antibodies and removing the antibodies from the subject.

ACTIVITY - Virucide; Hepatotropic; Antiinflammatory.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - None given.

USE - For inducing an immune response in a subject e.g. human (claimed), chimpanzees, mice or horses; for the preparation of antisera. In therapeutic/diagnostic applications to generate anti-HCV antibodies, for detecting the presence of HCV in a subject and treating the subject infected with HCV.

ADVANTAGE - The HCV conjugates induce an immune response recognizing different strains and variants of HCV. The HCV mimotopes provide antigens able to generate antibodies recognizing the hypervariable region of the HCV E2 protein.

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L16 ANSWER 3 OF 12 WPIDS (C) 2002 THOMSON DERWENT  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002-055133 [07] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. CPI: C2002-015672  
TITLE: Purifying complexes comprising GRP94 proteins, useful for treating a disorder associated with ischemia/reperfusion.  
DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16  
INVENTOR(S): NICCHITTA, C V; REED, R C; ROSSER, M F N;  
WASSENBERG, J J  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (UYDU-N) UNIV DUKE  
COUNTRY COUNT: 95  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	WEEK	LA	PG
WO 2001072779	A1	20011004 (200207)*	EN	169	
RW:	AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TR TZ UG ZW				
W:	AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE				

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NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ  
VN YU ZA ZW  
AU 2001047759 A 20011008 (200208)

APPLICATION DETAILS:

PATENT NO	KIND	APPLICATION	DATE
WO 2001072779	A1	WO 2001-US9512	20010326
AU 2001047759	A	AU 2001-47759	20010326

FILING DETAILS:

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AU 2001047759	A Based on	WO 200172779

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO: US 2000-192118P 20000324

AN 2002-055133 [07] WPIDS

AB WO 200172779 A UPAB: 20020130

NOVELTY - Purifying a complex of a GRP94 protein, comprising contacting a complex with the GRP94 protein to bind it an agent immobilized on a solid phase support, collecting the remaining sample, and eluting the complex from the solid phase support, is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Purifying a complex of a GRP94 protein, comprising:

(a) contacting a complex comprising a GRP94 protein with a binding agent that preferentially binds GRP94, the binding agent immobilized to a solid phase support, to immobilize the complex to the solid phase support;

(b) collecting the remaining sample; and

(c) eluting the complex from the solid phase support to give purified complex in the eluate.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(1) isolating an antigenic molecule, associated with a GRP94 complex, comprising:

(a) contacting a complex comprising a GRP94 protein with a binding agent that preferentially binds GRP94, the binding agent immobilized to a solid phase support, to immobilize the complex to the solid phase support;

(b) collecting the remaining sample;

(c) eluting the complex from the solid phase support to give purified complex in the eluate; and

(d) isolating the antigenic molecule from the eluate;

(2) a product produced by either of the novel method, or the method of (1);

(3) detecting a complex comprising GRP94 in a sample suspected of containing a complex comprising GRP94, comprising:

(a) contacting the sample with a binding agent that preferentially binds GRP94 under conditions favorable to binding a complex comprising GRP94 to the binding substance to form a second complex; and

(b) detecting the second complex via a label

conjugated to the binding substance or via a labeled reagent that specifically binds to the second complex subsequent to its formation;

(4) a kit for detecting, isolating or purifying a complex comprising GRP94 or an antigenic molecule associated with a complex comprising GRP94, the kit comprising:

(a) a binding agent that preferentially binds GRP94 contained in a first container; and

(b) an elution buffer for use in eluting a complex comprising GRP94 from the binding agent, the elution buffer contained in a second container;

(5) screening a candidate substance for an ability to modulate GRP94 biological activity, comprising:

(a) establishing a test sample comprising a GRP94 protein and a ligand for a GRP94 protein;

(b) administering a candidate substance to the test sample; and

(c) measuring the effect of the candidate substance on binding of the GRP94 protein and the ligand in the test sample;

(6) screening a candidate substance as an activator (or inhibitor) of the biological activity of a Hsp90 protein, comprising:

(a) establishing a test sample comprising a Hsp90 protein and a candidate substance;

(b) administering 1,8 -anilinonaphthalenesulfonate (8-ANS) to the test sample;

(c) detecting a fluorescence signal produced by the 8-ANS; and

(d) identifying the candidate substance as an activator (or inhibitor) of the biological activity of a Hsp90 protein based upon an amount of fluorescence signal produced by the 8-ANS as compared to a control sample;

(7) modulating the biological activity of a Hsp90 protein, comprising contacting a Hsp90 protein with an effective amount of a Hsp90 protein activity-modulating substance to thereby modulate the biological activity;

(8) treating a subject from a disorder where modulation of the biological activity of a GRP94 protein is desirable, comprising administering to the subject an effective amount of a GRP94 protein modulator;

(9) altering a subsequent cellular response to an ischemic condition at a tissue location in a subject, comprising treating the cells at the tissue location with a GRP94 protein modulator

(10) preparing an immunogenic composition for inducing an immune response in a vertebrate subject, comprising:

(a) harvesting from a eukaryotic cell an immunogenic complex comprising a Hsp90 protein non-covalently bound to an antigenic molecule, the complex when administered to the vertebrate subject being operative at initiating an immune response in the vertebrate subject, wherein the eukaryotic cell has been treated with an activating ligand of a Hsp90 protein; and

(b) combining the complex with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier;

(11) preparing an immunogenic composition for inducing an immune response in a vertebrate subject, comprising:

(a) reconstituting in vitro an antigenic molecule and a Hsp90 protein molecule in the presence of a modulator of the biological activity of a Hsp90 protein to thereby produce an immunogenic complex comprising a Hsp90 protein non-covalently bound to an antigenic molecule, the complex when administered to the vertebrate subject being operative at initiating an immune response in the vertebrate subject; and

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(b) combining the complex with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier;

(12) preparing an immunogenic composition for inducing an immune response in a vertebrate subject, comprising:

(a) sensitizing one or more antigen presenting cells in vitro with a complex comprising a Hsp90 protein non-covalently bound to an antigenic molecule and with an activating ligand of a Hsp90 protein; and

(b) combining the one or more sensitized antigen presenting cells with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier; and

(13) a product produced by one of the methods of (10)-(12).

ACTIVITY - Cardiant; Vasodilator; Hypertensive; Hyperglycemic; Anticonvulsant; Neuroprotective; Nootropic; Neuroleptic; Anxiolytic.

No biological data is given.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - GRP94 modulator.

USE - The method of (8) can be used to treat a disorder associated with ischemia/reperfusion as a result of cardiac arrest, asystole and sustained ventricular arrhythmias, cardiac surgery, cardiopulmonary bypass surgery, organ transplantation, spinal cord injury, head trauma, stroke, thromboembolic stroke, hemorrhagic stroke, cerebral vasospasm, hypotension, hypoglycemia, status epilepticus, an epileptic seizure, anxiety, schizophrenia, a neurodegenerative disorder, Alzheimer's disease, Huntington's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), or neonatal stress (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - None given.

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L16 ANSWER 4 OF 12	MEDLINE	DUPLICATE 1
ACCESSION NUMBER:	2001251803 MEDLINE	
DOCUMENT NUMBER:	21247671 PubMed ID: 11350035	
TITLE:	Evidence for a new hepatitis C virus antigen encoded in an overlapping reading frame.	
AUTHOR:	Walewski J L; Keller T R; Stump D D; Branch A D	
CORPORATE SOURCE:	Department of Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, New York 10029, USA.	
CONTRACT NUMBER:	P01 DK50795 (NIDDK) R01 DK52071 (NIDDK)	
SOURCE:	RNA, (2001 May) 7 (5) 710-21. Journal code: CHB; 9509184. ISSN: 1355-8382.	
PUB. COUNTRY:	United States Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)	
LANGUAGE:	English	
FILE SEGMENT:	Priority Journals	
ENTRY MONTH:	200106	
ENTRY DATE:	Entered STN: 20010625 Last Updated on STN: 20010625 Entered Medline: 20010621	

AB Many viruses have overlapping genes and/or regions in which a nucleic acid signal is embedded in a coding sequence. To search for dual-use regions in the hepatitis C virus (HCV), we developed a facile computer-based sequence analysis method to map dual-use regions in coding sequences. Eight diverse full-length HCV RNA and polyprotein sequences were aligned and analyzed. A cluster of unusually conserved synonymous codons was found in the core-encoding region, indicating a potential overlapping open reading frame (ORF). Four peptides (A1, A2, A3, and

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A4) representing this alternate reading frame protein (ARFP), two others from the HCV core protein, and one from bovine serum albumin (BSA) were conjugated to BSA and used in western blots to test sera for specific antibodies from 100 chronic HCV patients, 44 healthy controls, and 60 patients with non-HCV liver disease. At a 1:20,000 dilution, specific IgGs to three of the four ARFP peptides were detected in chronic HCV sera. Reactivity to either the A1 or A3 peptides (both ARFP derived) was significantly associated with chronic HCV infection, when compared to non-HCV liver disease serum samples (10/100 versus 1/60; p < 0.025). Antibodies to A4 were not detected in any serum sample. Our western blot assays confirmed the presence of specific antibodies to a new HCV antigen encoded, at least in part, in an alternate reading frame (ARF) overlapping the core-encoding region. Because this novel HCV protein stimulates specific immune responses, it has potential value in diagnostic tests and as a component of vaccines. This protein is predicted to be highly basic and may play a role in HCV replication, pathogenesis, and carcinogenesis.

L16 ANSWER 5 OF 12 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 2  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001502009 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21437535 PubMed ID: 11553266  
TITLE: Incidence of hepatitis virus infection and severe liver dysfunction in patients receiving chemotherapy for hematologic malignancies.  
AUTHOR: Kawatani T; Suou T; Tajima F; Ishiga K; Omura H; Endo A; Ohmura H; Ikuta Y; Idobe Y; Kawasaki H  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Second Department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Tottori University, Yonago, Japan.  
SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF HAEMATOLOGY, (2001 Jul) 67 (1) 45-50.  
Journal code: ERF; 8703985. ISSN: 0902-4441.  
PUB. COUNTRY: Denmark  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
ENTRY MONTH: 200109  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 20010913  
Last Updated on STN: 20011001  
Entered Medline: 20010927  
AB Hepatitis virus infection through virus reactivation has a high risk of mortality in patients with hematological malignancies receiving chemotherapy. We examined the incidence of both hepatitis B virus (HBV) and hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection and severe liver dysfunction (alanine aminotransferase >ten times the normal upper limit and total bilirubin >5 mg/dl) during chemotherapy in 268 patients with hematological malignancies. Eight patients (3.0%) were infected with HBV and 22 patients (8.2%) were infected with HCV. One patient (0.4%) was infected with both HBV and HCV. HBV- or HCV-infected patients showed severe liver dysfunction at a significantly higher incidence than non-infected patients (11/31 (35.5%) vs. 0/237 (0%), p<0.0001). Furthermore, the incidence of severe liver dysfunction in HBV-infected patients was significantly higher than in HCV-infected patients (6/8 (75.0%) vs. 4/22 (18.2%), p<0.01). Three of

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eight HBV-infected patients were initially negative for hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) by latex agglutination and became positive for HBsAg during chemotherapy. Furthermore, all three patients developed severe liver dysfunction and two developed fatal fulminant hepatitis. From an examination of the original stock of serum samples before chemotherapy, two patients were found to be positive for HBV-DNA by polymerase chain reaction (PCR). Although post-transfusion HBV infection was suspected in the one remaining patient, the cause of HBV infection could not be clarified due to the impossibility of examination in blood donors. Since HBV-infected patients develop severe liver dysfunction at a higher incidence than either patients not infected with virus or HCV-infected patients before chemotherapy for hematological malignancies, it is recommended that HBV-DNA should be tested by PCR to detect HBV marker-negative carriers and liver function tests should be carefully monitored.

L16 ANSWER 6 OF 12 WPIDS (C) 2002 THOMSON DERWENT  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000-053080 [04] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. NON-CPI: N2000-041367  
DOC. NO. CPI: C2000-013784  
TITLE: New peptides useful for prophylactic and therapeutic treatment of hepatitis C.  
DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16 S03  
INVENTOR(S): BARBAN, V  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (INMR) PASTEUR MERIEUX SERUMS & VACCINS SA  
COUNTRY COUNT: 86  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	WEEK	LA	PG
WO 9958561	A1	19991118 (200004)*	FR	45	
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MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ UG ZW					
W: AE AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CU CZ DE DK EE ES					
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LR LS LT LU LV MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG					
SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW					
AU 9937144	A	19991129 (200018)			

APPLICATION DETAILS:

PATENT NO	KIND	APPLICATION	DATE
WO 9958561	A1	WO 1999-FR1155	19990514
AU 9937144	A	AU 1999-37144	19990514

FILING DETAILS:

PATENT NO	KIND	PATENT NO
AU 9937144	A Based on	WO 9958561

PRIORITY APPLN. INFO: FR 1998-6335 19980514  
AN 2000-053080 [04] WPIDS  
AB WO 9958561 A UPAB: 20000124  
NOVELTY - A peptide (I) for the prophylactic and therapeutic

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treatment of hepatitis C is new and is capable of reacting with a specific antibody of an antigen comprising the hepatitis C viral structure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A peptide (I) for the prophylactic and therapeutic treatment of hepatitis C is new and is capable of reacting with a specific antibody of an antigen comprising the hepatitis C viral structure. The peptide comprises an amino acid sequence that imitates a conformational epitope of the antigenic structure of the virus without wholly corresponding to an amino acid sequence of this antigen comprising sequences (I) - (VII):

- (I) Gln-Leu-Ile-Thr-Lys-Pro-Leu;
- (II) His-Ala-Phe-Pro-His-Leu-His;
- (III) Ser-Ala-Pro-Ser-Ser-Lys-Asn;
- (IV) Gly-Glu-Thr-Arg-Ala-Pro-Leu;
- (V) Ser-Val-Ser-Val-Gly-Met-Lys-Pro-Ser-Pro-Arg-Pro;
- (VI) Trp-Gln-Ser-Tyr-Pro-Met-Phe-Asn-Asn-Thr-Leu-Thr;
- (VII) Met-Leu-Pro-Ser-Val-Leu-Asp.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) a conjugate comprising at least one (I) linked to a molecule to introduce or reinforce the immunogenicity of the peptide;
- (2) a recombinant vector comprising a functional expression cassette allowing for the expression of a polynucleotide coding for (I);
- (3) a therapeutic and/or prophylactic composition for hepatitis C for use as a vaccine comprising (I) as an active ingredient, optionally conjugated, and/or a recombinant vector coding for (I); and
- (4) use of (I) as a reagent for the diagnosis of hepatitis C and/or the susceptibility to chronic infection by hepatitis C viral infection comprising the determination of a humoral response and/or specific cellular mediation of (I) using a whole blood sample.

USE - The peptide(s) (I) is useful for the preparation of a therapeutic and/or prophylactic composition for the treatment and/or prevention of hepatitis C, especially for use as a vaccine comprising (I) (optionally conjugated) and/or a recombinant vector coding for (I). Also (I) is useful as a reagent for the diagnosis of hepatitis C and/or the susceptibility to chronic infection by the hepatitis C virus comprising the determination of a humoral and/or specific cellular mediated response of (I) on a whole blood sample (all claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The pharmaceutical composition is used to efficiently treat or prevent hepatitis C infection and is useful for the distinction between carriers, those chronically infected patients and those who have been cured of a previous infection. The antibodies are easily reproduced having the same characteristics of CDR by recombinant mutagenesis or cloning.

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L16 ANSWER 7 OF 12 MEDLINE  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999435620 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99435620 PubMed ID: 10507763  
TITLE: The asialoglycoprotein receptor in human hepatocellular carcinomas: its expression on

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AUTHOR: proliferating cells.  
Trere D; Fiume L; De Giorgi L B; Di Stefano G;  
Migaldi M; Derenzini M  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Servizio di Citopatologia, Policlinico S Orsola, and  
Dipartimento di Patologia Sperimentale, Universita di  
Bologna, Italy.  
SOURCE: BRITISH JOURNAL OF CANCER, (1999 Oct) 81 (3) 404-8.  
Journal code: AV4; 0370635. ISSN: 0007-0920.  
PUB. COUNTRY: SCOTLAND: United Kingdom  
Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
ENTRY MONTH: 199910  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19991026  
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Entered Medline: 19991014

AB The expression of the asialoglycoprotein receptor (ASGP-R) on human hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) cells might be exploited to reduce the extrahepatic toxicity of DNA synthesis inhibitors by their conjugation with galactosyl-terminating peptides. In the present study we first assessed the frequency of ASGP-R expression in 60 HCCs. Secondly, we investigated whether the receptor was maintained on the plasma membranes of DNA synthesizing cancer cells. Needle biopsies of HCC were evaluated. Diagnosis and grading of HCC were performed on routine haematoxylin and eosin-stained sections according to Edmondson and Steiner (1953). Thirty-five tumours were grade I and II and were classified as well differentiated, while 25 tumours were grade III and IV and were classified as poorly differentiated. Sections from formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded samples were incubated, after antigen retrieval, with an anti-ASGP-R monoclonal antibody revealed by secondary biotinylated antibody and streptavidin-biotin-peroxidase-diaminobenzidine reaction. A clear immunolabelling of plasma membranes of HCC cells was observed in 28 out of 35 (80%) well differentiated (grade I and II) and in five out of 25 (20%) poorly differentiated (grade III and IV) HCCs. The presence of the ASGP-R on the surface of DNA synthesizing cancer cells was also investigated after in vitro bromodeoxyuridine (BrdU) labelling of HCC samples by immunohistochemical visualization of both the ASGP-R and incorporated BrdU on the same section. The results obtained clearly demonstrated that DNA synthesizing cancer cells expressed the ASGP-R on their surface. The presence of ASGP-R on cell plasma membrane in the majority of differentiated HCCs and its maintenance on proliferating cells encourages studies in order to restrict the action of the inhibitors of DNA synthesis of HCC cells by their conjugation with galactosyl-terminating carriers internalized through this receptor.

L16 ANSWER 8 OF 12 WPIDS (C) 2002 THOMSON DERWENT  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997-538749 [50] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. NON-CPI: N1997-448356  
DOC. NO. CPI: C1997-172420  
TITLE: Reagent for diagnosis of  
hepatitis C virus infections -  
comprises solid phase sensitised with  
conjugate of antigen and  
carrier protein, useful in, e.g.  
measurements by forward-scattered light flow

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DERWENT CLASS: cytometry.  
A96 B04 D16 S03  
INVENTOR(S): SHIRAISHI, K; TAKAHAMA, Y; SHIRAISHI, J  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (TOAM-N) TOA MEDICAL ELECTRONICS CO LTD; (SYSM-N)  
SYSMEX CORP; (TOAI-N) TOA IYO DENSHI KK  
COUNTRY COUNT: 7  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	WEEK	LA	PG
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JP 09297141	A	19971118	(199805)		8
EP 806669	A3	19971126	(199816)		
KR 97075910	A	19971210	(199848)		
EP 806669	B1	20020410	(200227)	EN	
	R: BE DE FR GB IT				

APPLICATION DETAILS:

PATENT NO	KIND	APPLICATION	DATE
EP 806669	A2	EP 1997-107368	19970505
JP 09297141	A	JP 1996-112442	19960507
EP 806669	A3	EP 1997-107368	19970505
KR 97075910	A	KR 1997-16607	19970430
EP 806669	B1	EP 1997-107368	19970505

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AN 1997-538749 [50] WPIDS

AB EP 806669 A UPAB: 19971217

Reagent for **diagnosis of hepatitis C**  
virus (HCV) infection obtained by sensitising a solid  
phase with a **conjugate** prepared by chemical bonding of an  
**HCV antigen** and a **carrier** protein is  
new. Also claimed is a method of **diagnosing HCV**  
infection comprising: (a) adding the reagent to the sample, and (b)  
measuring the degree of agglutination of the **carrier**  
particles.

USE - The method uses a **diagnostic** reagent for  
**detecting** HCV infection by utilising  
immunoagglutination. When the solid phase comprises **carrier**  
particles, the reagent can be used in an agglutination assay,  
especially in which the degree of agglutination is  
**determined** by measuring forward-scattered light in a flow  
cytometer (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The agglutination assay is more sensitive (capable  
of **detecting** an infection at an earlier stage) than  
conventional passive haemagglutination and ELISA assays.

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L16 ANSWER 9 OF 12 WPIDS (C) 2002 THOMSON DERWENT  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994-129040 [16] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. NON-CPI: N1994-101241  
DOC. NO. CPI: C1994-059563  
TITLE: Reagent for antibody **determinn.** esp. of  
**hepatitis C** virus - contg.

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**antigen or peptide with thiol gp., with reagent contg. or treated with reducing agent.**

DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16 S03  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): (DAIN-N) DAINABOT CO LTD  
COUNTRY COUNT: 1  
PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO	KIND	DATE	WEEK	LA	PG
JP 06074956	A	19940318	(199416)*		8
JP 3225468	B2	20011105	(200172)		8

APPLICATION DETAILS:

PATENT NO	KIND	APPLICATION	DATE
JP 06074956	A	JP 1992-270684	19920828
JP 3225468	B2	JP 1992-270684	19920828

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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO: JP 1992-270684 19920828

AN 1994-129040 [16] WPIDS

AB JP 06074956 A UPAB: 19940608

The antibody immunoassays contains an **antigen** which has a sensitive thiol group or peptide having the same effect; The reagent contains a reducing agent; or the reagent is treated with a reducing agent.

Pref. the reducing agent is antioxidant of thiol group, esp. dithiothreitol, dithioerythritol and/or thioglycolic acid, etc.; The **antigen** is **HCV antigen** or the NS3 region of non-structural region of **HCV genome**; The reagent contains **carrier** comprising tubes, plates, erythrocytes or **latex** particles.

By containing a reducing agent in the reagent or by treating the reagent with a reducing agent, the sensitivity of the reagent for the **determination** can be raised.

USE/ADVANTAGE - The invention relates to a reagent for the **determination** of antibody, esp. antibody to **hepatitis C virus (HCV)**. **HCV** antibody can be accurately **determined** with high sensitivity.

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L16 ANSWER 10 OF 12 JAPIO COPYRIGHT 2002 JPO  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1991-287069 JAPIO  
TITLE: MEASURING REAGENT  
INVENTOR: ARIMA TERUMASA; YAMADA KYOKO; HATANAKA TADASHI;  
NANBA TOSHIHIKO; TSUJI MASAO  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): KURARAY CO LTD, JP (CO 000108)  
ARIMA TERUMASA, JP (IN)

PATENT INFORMATION:

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JP 03287069 A 19911217 Heisei (5) G01N033-576

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

ST19N FORMAT: JP1990-88892 19900402  
ORIGINAL: JP02088892 Heisei  
SOURCE: PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN, Unexamined  
Applications, Section: P, Sect. No. 1328, Vol.  
16, No. 117, P. 121 (19920324)

AN 1991-287069 JAPIO

AB PURPOSE: To specifically detect an antibody (HCV antibody) having specificness to non-A non-B type hepatitis-associated antigen with a high sensitivity and high degree by consisting the above measuring reagent of peptide having the amino acid array expressed by specific formula.  
CONSTITUTION: The peptide having the amino acid array expressed by the formula I is synthesized by a solid phase synthesis method to obtain the measuring reagent of the HCV antibody. A carrier is coated with this measuring reagent as an antigen material and thereafter, a block agent is acted to block the nonspecific protein conjugated section on the carrier. A sample to be inspected is added to the carrier coated with the measuring reagent and is incubated. An enzyme labeled antibody is then brought into contact therewith and the carrier is incubated. A substrate is added to the carrier treated in such a manner and the carrier is incubated. The decomposed quantity of the carrier is measured by using an absorptiometer. The HCV antibody to the non-A non-B type hepatitis-associated antigen after blood transfusion is detected specifically with the high sensitivity in this way.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 87110768 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 87110768 PubMed ID: 2949020

TITLE: An enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) for the detection of IgG and IgM anti-idiotypes directed against anti-HBs molecules.

AUTHOR: Irshad M; Gandhi B M; Acharya S K; Joshi Y K; Tandon B N

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AB A simple and specific enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) has been developed to detect circulating IgG and IgM anti-idiotypic antibodies directed against anti-HBs molecules using 96-well polyvinyl microtitre plates as the solid phase and HRPO-labelled goat anti-HBs as conjugate. Anti-idiotype reactions were observed in the supernatant portion after

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precipitation of immune complexes from sera with polyethylene glycol 6000 (PEG). Both IgG and IgM with anti-idiotype activity were detected concurrently in HBsAg-positive sera from HBV-infected patients and asymptomatic HBV carriers.

Anti-idiotype activity was absent in HBsAg-negative sera from healthy persons, and in patients with non-A, non-B hepatitis and viral hepatitis A. However, such antibodies could be demonstrated in the sera of two out of eight HBsAg vaccine recipients negative for anti-HBs but in none of 11 recipients positive for anti-HBs after receiving a booster immunising dose of HBsAg vaccine. Those sera showing positive anti-idiotype reactions were free from rheumatoid factor and HBsAg/IgM or HBsAg/IgG complex activity. An analysis of anti-idiotype positive sera for anti-HBs, HBeAg and HBV-specific DNA-polymerase activity demonstrated these markers in 20%, 30% and 60% of cases, respectively. The presence of anti-idiotypic antibodies was presumed to permit a more active multiplication of hepatitis B virus.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1983-32501K [14] WPIDS  
DOC. NO. NON-CPI: N1983-058771  
DOC. NO. CPI: C1983-031705  
TITLE: Polypeptide(s) mfr. with hepatitis B virus E antigen antigenicity - useful in antibody formation for detection and treatment of hepatitis.  
DERWENT CLASS: B04 D16 S03  
INVENTOR(S): MACKAY, P; MURRAY, K  
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AB EP 75395 A UPAB: 19930925

Prodn. of a polypeptide(s) displaying the antigenicity of hepatitis B virus e antigens (HBeAg) comprises prepn. of a bacterial extract of a host characterised by the expression of a polypeptide displaying the antigenicity of hepatitis B virus core antigen. Then the extract is digested with a protease in presence of a reducing agent (I) (the protease is resistant to (I)). (I) is suitably 2-mercaptoethanol, dithiothreitol, glutathione, dithioerythritol, a thioglycollate or NaBH4. The protease is esp. pronase, subtilis, carboxypeptidase, A or B, papain, trypsin, chymopapain, bromelin, protease K or thermo-lysin. For the procedure of paragraph (B) (I) is esp. 2-mercapto-ethanol and the dissociating conditions are produced by Na dodecylsulphate.

HBeAg can be produced efficiently and in large amts., and the antibodies can be similarly obtd., and they are not contaminated and are suitable for use in the identification of hepatitis B virus infective carriers and in the determin. of the course of hepatitis B virus related liver diseases and then treatment by inclusion in vaccines.

ABEQ US 4563423 A UPAB: 19930925

Prepn. of a polypeptide (I) displaying the antigenicity of hepatitis B virus C antigens comprises first preparing a bacterial extract of a host characterised by the expression of a polypeptide displaying the antigenicity of hepatitis B virus core antigen. The extract is digested with a reducing agent resistant protease in the presence of a reducing agent to convert the polypeptide displaying the antigenicity of hepatitis B virus core antigen into a polypeptide (I).

USE - (I) and its antibodies are used to detect hepatitis B virus infection, esp. for finding carriers and in evaluating the course of HBV-related chronic liver disease.

ABEQ US 4758507 A UPAB: 19930925

Polypeptide with hepatitis B e-antigenic properties is new. Prepn. of this polypeptide comprises expression of the polypeptide in a host microorganism which has been modified with a suitable plasmid; isolation of the bacterial extract contg. the polypeptide; and digestion of the extract with a protease which is resistant to reducing agent in the presence of the reducing agent, converting the core antigen to an e-antigen.

USE - The prod. has the antigenic activity of hepatitis B virus e-antigens, without corresp. virus surface antigen activity and is a reagent for the detection of the conjugate antibodies in blood serum or liver tissues.

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L3 ANSWER 1 OF 9 MEDLINE

AN 2002052474 MEDLINE

TI Preliminary classification of nonmalignant B cell proliferation in Sjogren's syndrome: perspectives on pathobiology and treatment based on an integrated clinico-pathologic and molecular study approach.

AU De Vita S; De Marchi G; Sacco S; Gremese E; Fabris M; Ferraccioli G  
SO BLOOD CELLS, MOLECULES, AND DISEASES, (2001 Jul-Aug) 27 (4) 757-66.

Ref: 53

Journal code: 9509932. ISSN: 1079-9796.

AB A classification of nonmalignant lymphoproliferation in Sjogren's syndrome is presented, based on the results of international meetings regarding Sjogren's syndrome-associated lymphomagenesis and on our results of a clinico-pathologic and molecular study and long-term follow-up in well-characterized patients. Sjogren's syndrome pathobiology has similarities to hepatitis C virus-related B-cell lymphoproliferation. Antigen stimulation with the preferential expansion of rheumatoid factor-positive clones and specific immunoglobulin gene expression and recombination represent key biologic events in lymphoproliferation. This classification is based on the coupling of molecular and histological studies and may result in more selective treatment approaches.

L3 ANSWER 2 OF 9 MEDLINE

AN 2001515198 MEDLINE

TI DNA vaccination: a potential weapon against infection and cancer.

AU Stevenson F K; Rosenberg W

SO VOX SANGUINIS, (2001 Jan) 80 (1) 12-8. Ref: 51

Journal code: XLI; 0413606. ISSN: 0042-9007.

AB DNA vaccination is a novel approach for inducing immunity against target antigens. It provides a direct link between identification of genes encoding these antigens and incorporation of the gene sequences into a vaccine vehicle. Identification of candidate genes is proceeding very rapidly both for infectious organisms and for cancer cells. One advantage is that DNA appears to activate all pathways of immunity, especially cytotoxic T-cell responses, which have been difficult to induce with protein vaccines. For viruses, including those which have caused problems for blood transfusion, DNA vaccination could be used for prevention. However, for chronic infection, or for cancer, vaccination will be performed in a therapeutic setting. For this situation, it is probable that immune-activating sequences will have to be included in the vaccine. The ease of manipulation of gene sequences, together with the increasing knowledge of the operation of the immune system, means that we now have the tools to take vaccines into the next exciting stage of development.

L3 ANSWER 3 OF 9 MEDLINE

AN 2001425098 MEDLINE

TI The GOR gene product cannot cross-react with hepatitis C virus in humans.

AU Koike R; Iizuka T; Watanabe T; Miyasaka N

SO CLINICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL IMMUNOLOGY, (2001 Jun) 124 (3) 429-34.

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AB Journal code: DD7; 0057202. ISSN: 0009-9104.  
GOR (GOR47--1) is an epitope thought to be a host-derived antigen cross-reactive with hepatitis C virus (HCV) since it was isolated from a cDNA library of host animals reactive with sera of HCV-positive patients. An enzyme immunoassay (ELISA) using this epitope as antigen is of sufficient sensitivity and specificity for screening patients with HCV. However, the relationship between GOR47--1 epitope and autoimmune phenomena associated with HCV infection or autoimmune hepatitis is controversial. Here we isolated the human GOR gene and found that the GOR47--1 epitope was not translated in humans due to a single base replacement from chimpanzee. Furthermore, we found some patients who had antibodies against another epitope, which is translated (GOR1--125) in humans, although there was no correlation between the existence of anti-GOR47--1 or anti-GOR1--125 Ab and autoimmune phenomena. Serum IgG levels did not influence the titres of these antibodies. Taken together with the results of several other studies, our finding that the GOR47--1 epitope cannot be translated into a protein suggests that there is little relationship between autoimmunity and the GOR gene product in human beings. We also discuss here the possible mechanism of cross-reactivity between HCV and the GOR gene product.

L3 ANSWER 4 OF 9 MEDLINE  
AN 1998295835 MEDLINE  
TI Infection of a chimpanzee with hepatitis C virus grown in cell culture.  
AU Shimizu Y K; Igarashi H; Kiyohara T; Shapiro M; Wong D C; Purcell R H; Yoshikura H  
SO JOURNAL OF GENERAL VIROLOGY, (1998 Jun) 79 ( Pt 6) 1383-6.  
Journal code: I9B; 0077340. ISSN: 0022-1317.  
AB Culture supernatant harvested from Daudi cells, a lymphoplastoid cell line, after 58 days of infection with the H77 strain of hepatitis C virus (HCV), was inoculated into a chimpanzee. HCV RNA, as detected by RT-PCR, first appeared in the serum and liver 5 and 6 weeks, respectively, after inoculation. Peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) collected on week 7 were also positive for HCV RNA. The major sequences of hypervariable region 1 (HVR1) of the viral genome recovered from the inoculated chimpanzee were the ones which were the majority in the original H77 inoculum and not those which were in the majority in the culture supernatant. Only the sequence recovered from PBMC was the same as the major one found in the cell culture.

L3 ANSWER 5 OF 9 MEDLINE  
AN 96078149 MEDLINE  
TI Passive adsorption of immunologically active and inactive synthetic peptides to polystyrene is influenced by the proportion of non-polar residues in the peptide.  
AU Sallberg M; Blixt M; Zhang Z X; Ekstrand J  
SO IMMUNOLOGY LETTERS, (1995 May) 46 (1-2) 25-30.  
Journal code: GIH; 7910006. ISSN: 0165-2478.  
AB A well-known drawback in the use of synthetic peptides as solid-phase antigens in immunoassays is that positive controls confirming the presence of the peptide on the solid phase are not always present. We therefore evaluated the applicability of a recently described enzyme immunoassay (EIA) method by which the presence of peptides is detected by biotinylation (BioEIA) of alpha- and/or epsilon-amino groups after passive adsorption. This approach

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allows the rapid screening of a large number of proteins and peptides in respect to passive adsorption to plastic surfaces. When using irradiated polystyrene microplates we found that 240 (94%) of 256 synthetic peptides, covering 85% of the complete hepatitis C virus (HCV) sequence, passively adsorbed to polystyrene. When comparing the results from the BioEIA to the peptide reactivity of human sera it was obvious that the absence of serum reactivities was not due to lack of peptide adsorption to the plates. Using 192 peptides the relation between the signal-to-cutoff ratio (S/CO) in the BioEIA and the amino acid content of the individual peptides was further analyzed. The S/CO ratio was related to the number of epsilon NH<sub>2</sub> groups (Lys residues) present in the peptide ( $P < 0.001$ , Kruskal-Wallis). We separately related the amino acid content of 68 peptides with Lys and 124 peptides lacking Lys to the S/CO ratio in the BioEIA. In both cases it was found that an increasing amount of nonpolar residues such as Ala, Phe, Ile, Met, and Val ( $P < 0.05$ , respectively) in the peptides was related to a lower S/CO ratio in the BioEIA. (ABSTRACT TRUNCATED AT 250 WORDS)

- L3 ANSWER 6 OF 9 MEDLINE  
AN 95010078 MEDLINE  
TI Induction of the human gene for p44, a hepatitis-C-associated microtubular aggregate protein, by interferon-alpha/beta.  
AU Kitamura A; Takahashi K; Okajima A; Kitamura N  
SO EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF BIOCHEMISTRY, (1994 Sep 15) 224 (3) 877-83.  
Journal code: EMZ; 0107600. ISSN: 0014-2956.  
AB A hepatitis-C-associated microtubular aggregate protein, referred to as p44, has been identified as a cytoplasmic antigen in the hepatocytes of chimpanzees infected with hepatitis C virus. The production of p44 mRNA is markedly induced in the liver of chimpanzees infected with hepatitis C or hepatitis D virus. To examine the mechanism of this induction, we isolated a genomic clone for the human p44 protein and analyzed its structure. The human p44 gene spans approximately 14 kbp of DNA and consists of nine exons separated by eight introns. An interferon-stimulated response element, which confers inducibility by interferon-alpha/beta, was found in the promoter region of the gene. Northern-blot analysis revealed that the human p44 gene is inducible by interferon-alpha/beta, but not by interferon-gamma. Functional analysis demonstrated that the interferon-stimulated response element in the promoter region of the gene mediates the inducibility of the gene by interferon-alpha/beta. Thus, the human p44 gene is a member of the family of interferon-alpha/beta inducible genes. The protein p44 may be one of the mediators involved in the antiviral action of interferon.
- L3 ANSWER 7 OF 9 MEDLINE  
AN 94143940 MEDLINE  
TI Evaluation of indeterminate c22-3 reactivity in volunteer blood donors.  
AU Tobler L H; Busch M P; Wilber J; Dinello R; Quan S; Polito A; Kochesky R; Bahl C; Nelles M; Lee S R  
SO TRANSFUSION, (1994 Feb) 34 (2) 130-4.  
Journal code: WDN; 0417360. ISSN: 0041-1132.  
AB BACKGROUND: Approximately 25 percent of blood donor sera that are repeatedly reactive for hepatitis C virus (HCV) on second-generation enzyme immunoassay (EIA 2.0) are indeterminate on second-generation recombinant immunoblot assay (RIBA 2.0), and over 76 percent of

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these results are due to single reactivity to the HCV recombinant antigen c22-3. STUDY DESIGN AND METHODS: Data are presented on 46 volunteer allogeneic blood donors who were reactive on EIA2.0 and c22-3 indeterminate in RIBA 2.0. Index and follow-up samples were evaluated by using a panel of five synthetic peptide EIAs, a prototype strip immunoblot assay that uses synthetic peptides in addition to recombinant protein (RIBA 3.0), and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) for HCV RNA. RESULTS: All 46 donations had normal alanine aminotransferase values; only 2 (4.3%) reacted for antibody to hepatitis B core antigen. With a panel of 12 synthetic peptides spanning the entire sequence of the c22-3 recombinant antigen, 33 plasmas (72%) reacted to one peptide or none, including 19 plasmas with reactivity restricted entirely to the N-terminal peptide (1-15 amino acids) of c22-3. With RIBA 3.0, 28 donations (61%) were nonreactive, including 25 that reacted with one peptide or none in EIA. Of these 25 plasmas, 18 reacted with the N-terminal sequence only. All 46 index donations were tested by PCR; the single PCR-positive unit reacted with four HCV peptides, was positive by RIBA 3.0, and reacted for antibody to hepatitis B core antigen. Twenty-six index donors were successfully recalled 3 to 7 months after their index donation. None seroconverted to positivity in RIBA 2.0, 1 was nonreactive, and 25 remained positive for c22-3 only. The restricted epitope reactivity in peptide EIA and RIBA 3.0 was maintained over time in all cases. All 26 of the follow-up samples tested negative by PCR. CONCLUSION: On the basis of the restricted peptide reactivity and PCR negativity of index and follow-up samples, it is concluded that the majority of c22-3 RIBA 2.0-indeterminate results are due to nonspecific cross-reactivity to restricted (principally, N-terminal) regions of HCV core antigen.

- L3 ANSWER 8 OF 9 MEDLINE  
AN 91011346 MEDLINE  
TI Cloning, sequencing and expression in Escherichia coli of cDNA for a non-A, non-B hepatitis-associated microtubular aggregates protein.  
AU Takahashi K; Kitamura N; Shibui T; Kamizono M; Matsui R; Yoshiyama Y; Maeda T; Kondo J; Honda Y; Yamada E; +  
SO JOURNAL OF GENERAL VIROLOGY, (1990 Sep) 71 ( Pt 9) 2005-11.  
Journal code: I9B; 0077340. ISSN: 0022-1317.  
AB A 1.7 kb cDNA encoding a novel antigen (p44; apparent Mr 44K) associated with non-A, non-B (NANB) hepatitis, was isolated from the hepatic cDNA library of a chimpanzee infected with NANB hepatitis. The library was screened with a monoclonal antibody against this antigen. The cDNA cloned contained an open reading frame encoding a 444 amino acid protein with an Mr calculated to be 50,468. The cDNA hybridized to a 1.9 kb mRNA obtained from chimpanzee hepatocytes infected with either the NANB or hepatitis delta viruses. It hybridized weakly to mRNA from hepatitis B virus-infected hepatocytes, and not at all to mRNA from normal chimpanzee hepatocytes. Southern blot analysis revealed that p44 is a host protein in chimpanzees, and that an identical gene exists in the human genome.
- L3 ANSWER 9 OF 9 MEDLINE  
AN 91011345 MEDLINE  
TI Isolation and purification of a non-A, non-B hepatitis-associated microtubular aggregates protein.  
AU Honda Y; Kondo J; Maeda T; Yoshiyama Y; Yamada E; Shimizu Y K; Shikata T; Ono Y

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SO JOURNAL OF GENERAL VIROLOGY, (1990 Sep) 71 ( Pt 9) 1999-2004.  
Journal code: I9B; 0077340. ISSN: 0022-1317.

AB Blood-borne type non-A, non-B (NANB) hepatitis-associated microtubular aggregates protein was isolated and partially sequenced. The microtubular aggregates were isolated from the hepatocytes of NANB-infected chimpanzees and were found to have a buoyant density in sucrose solution of 1.21 to 1.23 g/ml. A single protein, recognized by our anti-microtubular aggregates monoclonal antibodies, was found to have an Mr of 44,000 (p44). This p44 protein was not found in uninfected chimpanzees. We determined a partial amino acid sequence for p44, and showed that it has no homology to any known proteins.

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